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June 20, 2003

Christine Todd Whitman, Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
P.O. Box 1473  
Merrifield, VA 22116  
Attn: Chemical Right-to-Know Program

Re: 201-14172A - SOCMA Metal Carboxylates Coalition Response to EPA Comments on  
the HPV Test Package for the Metal Carboxylates Category

Dear Administrator Whitman:

In June 2003, the SOCMA Metal Carboxylates Coalition received EPA's comments on the test plan and supporting robust summaries for the Metal Carboxylates category, which was submitted to EPA on December 23, 2003, as part of the SOCMA Metal Carboxylates Coalition commitment to the HPV Challenge Program.

The SOCMA Metal Carboxylates Coalition is reviewing the EPA recommendations. As the SOCMA Metal Carboxylates Coalition scientists move forward with the testing commitment of the Metal Carboxylates category, they will consider how these recommendations might further the goals of the voluntary HPV Challenge Program.

Sincerely,

Lynne Jones  
Executive Director  
SOCMA's Metal Carboxylates Coalition

Cc: Metal Carboxylates Coalition  
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